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Legal Staff
International DivisionRe: U.S. Patent Application No. 10/526,754 filed March 4, 2005
Title: FIDUCIAL MARKER HOLDER SYSTEM FOR SURGERY
Our Ref. No.: 209823.0031/26U1

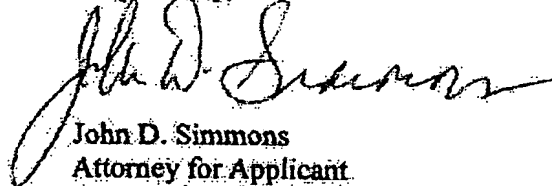
Dear Sir/Madam:

It has come to our attention that an error has been made with regard to the fees presented in the above-identified patent application. While we were entitled to a refund of \$100 for the reduced search fee (applied to our deposit account 50-1017 on 8/1/2006), we are not entitled to the \$300 refund (applied to our deposit account 50-1017 on 8/1/2006). As a result of this \$300 refund, which corresponds to the amount of the basic national fee, the prosecution of this matter has come to a standstill. The application has not yet been docketed, and currently has a first action prediction of 23 months.

Accordingly, we respectfully authorize the Commissioner to hereby charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 209823.0031) the \$300 fee in order to ensure that this application does not become abandoned.

Thank you for your prompt attention to the above.

Respectfully,


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